STATEMENT BY MINISTER

Socio-Economic criteria for exclusion of "Creamy Layer" from 'Other Backward Classes'

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): Sir, in the context of the judgement of the Supreme Court delivered on 16-11-92 in the Indira Sawhney *Vs.* Union of India (popularly referred to as Mandal case) wherein it was, *inter alia*, held that the Office Memorandum of 13-8-90 providing for 27 per cent reservation in civil services and posts under the Government of India in favour of 'Other Backward Classes' would be valid and enforceable subject to the exclusion of the socially advanced persons/sections ('creamy layery') from the notified "Other Backward Clases" the Government had constituted an Expert Committee comprising the following to make recommendations in this regard:—

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Justice Ram Nandan Prasad,	: Chairman
Justice Ram Nanda Prasad, Retd. Judge Patila High Court	: Chairman
Shri M.L. Sahare forme Chairman, UPSC ;	: Member
Shri P.S. Krishna forme Secretary Welfare and former Member National Commission for SCs/STs	: Member
Shri R.J. Majithia former Chairman, Revenue Board, Rajasthan	: Member-Secretary

The Expert Committee submitted its Report to the Government on 10-3-93, a copy of which is laid on the Table of the House, Government have decided to accept the recommendations contained in this Report.

SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR (Uttar Pradesh): In toto.

SHRI SANGH PRIYA GAUTAM (Uttar Pradesh): We should have a copy of the Report so that we could ask for clarifications tomorrow.

MESSAGE FROM THE LOK SABHA

The National Thermal Power Corporation Limited, the National Hydroelectric Power Corporation Limited and the North-Eastern Electric Power Corporation Limited (Acquisition and Transfer of Power Transmission Systems) Bill 1993.

SECRETARY-GENERAL: Sir, I beg to report to the House the following message received from the Lok Sabha, signed by the Secretary-General of the Lok Sabha:

"In accordance with the provisions of rule 96 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha I am directed to enclose the National Thermal Power Corporation Limited, the National Hydroelectric Power Corporation Limited and the North-Eastern Electric Power Corporation Limited (Acquisition and Transfer of Power Transmission Systems) Bill, 1993, as passed by Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 16th March, 1993."

Sir, I lay the Bill on the Table.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): The House stands adjourned till 11.00 a.m. tomorrow.

The House then adjourned at forty-seven minutes past seven of the clcok till eleven of the clock on Wednesday, the 17th March, 1993.